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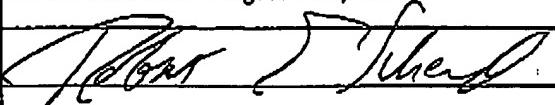
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Please enter the following amendments which Applicants believe place the claims in condition for allowance.